Power generation and consumption in Assam

399. SHRI PRAKANTA WARISA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state the details of power generation and consumption in Assam during each of the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): The details of power generation and power supply position of Assam during the last three years are given below:

(Figures in Million Units)

Year	Own Generation	Requirement	Availability	Surplus(+)/ Shortage(−) (%)
1999-2000	2599	2868.3	2918.4	(+)50.1(1.7)
2000-2001	2888	3092.9	3332.8	(+)239.9 (7.8)
April-October, 2001	1518	2057.8	2036.3	(−)21.5(1.0)

World Bank comment on India's power sector reforms

400. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned "Check power theft, says World Bank" as reported in the Statesman dated the 13th October, 2001;

(b) if so, whether the World Bank has been interfering in our power sector reforms; and

(c) if so, the reaction of Government on the views of the World Bank?